

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Krablin et al.**

Serial No.: **[To Be Determined]** Group Art Unit: **[To Be Determined]**

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For: **DETERMINING DESTINATIONS OF A DYNAMIC BRANCH**

Director of Patents
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Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH
CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

The following is in response to the Decision Dismissing Petition dated June 19, 2003. This Preliminary Amendment is filed concomitantly with a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), and prior to the issuance of parent application Serial No. 09/239,282 entitled "Determining Destinations of a Dynamic Branch". (Applicants note that this amendment is filed prior to the July 31, 2003 effective date of the changes made to 37 C.F.R. 1.121, and therefore are made consistent with prior practice under that section).

Prior to examination of this application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please add the following (clean and marked up versions also being attached hereto):

"CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS"

This application is a continuation of U.S. Ser. No. 09/239,282 filed January 29, 1999 entitled "Determining Destinations of a Dynamic Branch," the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference."